

1 exposure to an asbestos-containing
2 product or to conduct for which Grace has
3 legal responsibility, and the second
4 criteria is that there is little
5 likelihood of a substantial recovery
6 elsewhere?

7 A: I don't believe that the
8 second criteria applies. I think the 95
9 percent requirement is a proxy for the
10 proposition that you don't have a
11 substantial likelihood of recovery
12 elsewhere.

13 If you look at the 75
14 percent criteria, you will see that there
15 is little chance of a recovery elsewhere.
16 But I don't see that as applicable to the
17 95 percent criteria.

18 Q: All right. So it is the
19 position of the Asbestos PI Committee
20 that to qualify for the eight times
21 multiplier, you need only meet one
22 criterion, namely, that the claimant's
23 exposure to asbestos was 95 percent of
24 the exposure to an asbestos-containing

1 actually being very helpful.

2 A: Glad to hear it.

3 Q: So if I can just try to get
4 it again in a way that I think will be
5 helpful. All right.

6 The last question was meant
7 to presuppose that there was a claim
8 because you can't have a multiplier
9 unless there is a claim that you are
10 multiplying.

11 So if you make the
12 assumption that there is a claim, then is
13 it the case that the sole criterion for
14 the eight times multiplier is that the
15 claimant's exposure to asbestos was 95
16 percent the result of exposure to an
17 asbestos-containing product or to conduct
18 for which Grace has legal responsibility?

19 A: The committee has no
20 position other than what's stated in the
21 TDP. First, it has to be an
22 extraordinary claim, which is defined to
23 begin with; and -- is your problem --
24 maybe I have been misunderstanding.

1 product or from conduct which Grace has
2 legal responsibility?

3 MR. FINCH: And otherwise
4 satisfy the medical criteria, yes,
5 the beginning of 5.4(a) says,
6 correct?

7 Object to form.

8 THE WITNESS: Well, we are
9 talking about the definition of an
10 extraordinary claim, and the
11 definition of an extraordinary
12 claim includes the medical
13 criteria by definition.

14 So whether he was including
15 it or not, the provision -- I
16 mean, these questions -- it is the
17 position of the ACC that the TDP
18 means what it says. That's what
19 it says. The committee --

20 BY MR. DANIEL COHN:

21 Q: The purpose of the
22 deposition isn't to argue, but I wouldn't
23 be asking these questions if I thought
24 the answer was self-evident. So you are

1 Is your problem about the
2 second criteria in either case there is
3 little likelihood of a substantial
4 recovery elsewhere, the fact that that
5 could be read as included within the
6 definition of extraordinary claim to
7 begin with? Is that the problem?

8 Q: And could be interpreted as
9 applying to the 95 percent as well as to
10 the 75 percent?

11 A: Okay. I didn't understand
12 why you were asking that question.

13 Q: Would you like me to then
14 try to ask it in a way that would make
15 you comfortable answering yes or no?

16 A: I actually think, if that's
17 the question, that you ought to ask
18 Mr. Indiana that.

19 Q: Okay.

20 A: Because there is an arguably
21 ambiguity about that, which I did not
22 understand initially. And, as I sit here
23 right now, I can't tell you what the
24 committee's position is on that. So I

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<p>1 would have to, I guess, retract some of 2 my previous testimony on that subject. 3 (There was a discussion held 4 off the record at this time.) 5 MR. DANIEL COHN: Let's go 6 back on the record. 7 BY MR. DANIEL COHN: 8 Q. Would it be fair to say that 9 most of the holders of asbestos PI 10 claims -- strike that. 11 Would it be fair to say that 12 most asbestos PI claims are based upon 13 exposure to Grace's asbestos-containing 14 products as opposed to exposure to 15 asbestos generated through Grace's 16 operations? 17 MS. HARDING: Object to 18 form. 19 THE WITNESS: When you say 20 most of the claims, I take it you 21 are referring to most of the 22 claims for which POCs have been 23 filed in the bankruptcy or most of 24 the -- are you referring to most</p>	<p>1 would be, quote, product claims 2 based on my understanding of how 3 that claim is used in insurance 4 law terminology. 5 BY MR. DANIEL COHN: 6 Q. And is it the case that the 7 typical holder of a products claim will 8 have been exposed not only to Grace's 9 asbestos-containing products but to 10 asbestos-containing products of other 11 manufacturers? 12 MS. HARDING: Object to 13 form. 14 MR. FINCH: Object to form. 15 THE WITNESS: Again, that 16 presupposes an analysis of the 17 Grace claims that, to my 18 knowledge, nobody has ever done 19 before and expectations which 20 nobody has ever had any reason to 21 have expectations on before. 22 I think it is sort of 23 commonly accepted in sort of the 24 asbestos arena that companies who</p>
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<p>1 of the claims which could be 2 brought to the Trust? What 3 specific claims are we talking 4 about? 5 BY MR. DANIEL COHN: 6 Q. Well, if you can answer, 7 most of the claims that are expected to 8 be brought to the Asbestos PI Trust. 9 MS. HARDING: Object to 10 form. 11 THE WITNESS: I don't think 12 that the committee has ever 13 attempted to analyze or project 14 claims against Grace on the basis 15 of whether or not they are 16 products claims or non-products 17 claims. That's just not something 18 that the committee -- committees 19 of this sort or the Grace 20 committee normally does, and I 21 don't believe we have done it. 22 On a sort of impressionistic 23 level, I guess I would probably 24 assume that most of the claims</p>	<p>1 manufacture and distribute 2 asbestos-containing products and 3 who don't have a contracting 4 function, subsidiary, affiliate, 5 division, are likely to have 6 substantially more products claims 7 than they have non-products 8 claims. 9 But, again, I am not an 10 expert on that subject. And 11 nobody has ever done any analysis 12 of the Grace claims history for 13 the purpose of trying to figure 14 out in the past how the claims 15 broke down, and so there is really 16 not much specific information 17 available on that subject. 18 BY MR. DANIEL COHN: 19 Q. So despite your having been 20 involved in -- let me strike that. 21 On how many asbestos cases 22 have you been involved in approximately? 23 MS. HARDING: Object to 24 relevancy.</p>

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1 MR. FINCH: Yes. Object to
2 relevancy.

3 THE WITNESS: 20 plus or
4 minus, assuming by as asbestos
5 case, you mean asbestos bankruptcy
6 cases.

7 BY MR. DANIEL COHN:

8 Q. That's what I meant, yes.

9 And --

10 MR. FINCH: Class action.

11 BY MR. DANIEL COHN:

12 Q. And in the course of that,
13 you have not reached the point of being
14 able to be comfortable about the nature
15 of the typical products claim?

16 MS. HARDING: Object to
17 form.

18 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

19 THE WITNESS: The typical
20 products claim, I am not sure
21 there is such a thing. I mean, in
22 the Armstrong World Industry case,
23 they had a contracting subsidiary,
24 and there were a whole lot of

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1 with products claims for the moment

2 If a person was exposed to
3 Grace's products, would it be the usual
4 case that the same person was also
5 exposed to asbestos-containing products
6 of other manufacturers?

7 MS. HARDING: Object to
8 form.

9 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

10 THE WITNESS: I am not an
11 expert on this subject. Do you
12 want my personal inexpert
13 understanding? My impression is
14 that most people in the building
15 construction trades, which is
16 where a lot of Grace product was
17 used, are exposed to products of
18 more than one manufacturer of
19 asbestos-containing building
20 products. That's about all I can
21 give you.

22 BY MR. DANIEL COHN:

23 Q. And that person in the tort
24 system would have the right to sue all

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1 non-products claims at issue in
2 that case. AC&S, there was a
3 dispute with Travelers as to
4 whether or not the products claims
5 were a hundred percent, 45
6 percent, or zero percent.

7 So you could say I suppose.

8 The typical non-products claim is
9 being around -- either installing
10 or being around somebody who was
11 installing asbestos.

12 BY MR. DANIEL COHN:

13 Q. Right. I was really
14 asking --

15 A. Premises claims for
16 manufacturers and distributors, which is
17 another kind of non-products claim, as I,
18 in my non-expert capacity, understand it,
19 are, I think, generally thought to be
20 significantly less prevalent,
21 particularly because of workers'
22 compensation law and the statutory bar
23 associated with that.

24 Q. Let me for the moment stay

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1 the manufacturers to whose products he
2 had been exposed?

3 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

4 Where in your 30(b)(6) deposition
5 notice is the topic that would be
6 relevant to these questions?

7 MR. DANIEL COHN: The nature
8 of the claims against Grace is one
9 of the topics.

10 MR. FINCH: This is pretty
11 far afield. You are asking him
12 what he knows about asbestos
13 claims generally from undefined,
14 undescribed manufacturers at some
15 unspecified time.

16 MR. DANIEL COHN: I am
17 asking about asbestos PI claimants
18 against Grace, but I am asking
19 about what other claims they would
20 have, yes.

21 THE WITNESS: I want to make
22 it perfectly clear that I am doing
23 my best to answer your questions,
24 but I do not regard myself as

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1 MR. FINCH: Let's go off the
2 record.

3 (There was a discussion held
4 off the record at this time.)

5 MR. FINCH: Back on the
6 record.

7 THE WITNESS: Mr. Finch
8 reminded me that, as I testified
9 on Friday, there are certain
10 provisions of the TDP that are
11 unique to this TDP and, therefore,
12 have not been the subject of prior
13 experience with other trusts and,
14 in particular, Sections 5.12 and
15 5.13, which I testified about at
16 some length.

17 I have probably had at least
18 as great, if not a greater, role
19 in the creation of those sections
20 that Mr. Inselbuch did. So I
21 don't know -- to suggest that
22 there are no questions that you
23 can ask about the TDP, that I
24 might not have as much or more

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1 what I would regard as insurance law,
2 including a fair amount about
3 comprehensive or CGL policies.

4 Q. And do you understand, at
5 least in general terms, the distinction
6 between products/completed operations
7 claims, on the one hand, and
8 non-products/non-completed operations
9 claims, on the other?

10 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

11 MS. DeCRISTOFARO: Object to
12 form.

13 MR. FINCH: Why don't you
14 define it so he knows exactly what
15 you are talking about.

16 You can answer. Object to
17 form.

18 THE WITNESS: If you are
19 using those terms as they are used
20 in comprehensive general liability
21 policies, I think I have a general
22 understanding of that, but I
23 certainly would not profess to be
24 an expert on the subject.

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1 knowledge than Mr. Inselbuch.
2 But, by and large, the provisions,
3 such as Section 5.10, that we were
4 just discussing that are fairly
5 what I would call standard TDP
6 provisions, my answer stands, that
7 he would be more knowledgeable on
8 those than I would.

9 BY MR. COHN:

10 Q. Thank you.

11 In that case, let's turn to
12 insurance. Have you had occasion to
13 familiarize yourself with Grace's
14 insurance coverage for asbestos PI
15 claims?

16 A. Only at a pretty general
17 level as was demonstrated on Friday.

18 Q. Are you generally familiar
19 with comprehensive general liability
20 insurance?

21 A. In the course of my work in
22 these bankruptcy cases over the last 15
23 or 20 years, I have had occasion to learn
24 in a non-expert capacity a fair amount of

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1 BY MR. COHN:

2 Q. And would you mind if when I
3 refer to products/completed operations
4 claims under a standard CGL policy, if I
5 just use the term "products claims"?

6 A. That's fine.

7 Q. And would you mind if when I
8 refer to non-products/non-completed
9 operations claims under a standard CGL
10 policy, if I just call them "non-products
11 claims"?

12 A. That's fine.

13 MR. SCHIAVONI: We will
14 object, though, Dan.

15 BY MR. COHN:

16 Q. Is it your understanding --
17 strike that.

18 Is it the understanding of
19 the Asbestos PI Committee that the Libby
20 claims hold non-products claims?

21 A. I don't think the Asbestos
22 Claimants Committee has an understanding
23 on that subject. We understand that the
24 Libby claimants contend that they have

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<p>1 non-products claims</p> <p>2 Q. Is it the committee's</p> <p>3 understanding that other asbestos PI</p> <p>4 claimants besides the Libby claimants</p> <p>5 hold non-products claims?</p> <p>6 MR. SCHIAVONI: I object to</p> <p>7 form; again, vague and ambiguous</p> <p>8 with regard to the committee.</p> <p>9 Mr. Cohn, are you asking</p> <p>10 whether your own clients</p> <p>11 understand this or by majority</p> <p>12 vote or before -- how?</p> <p>13 MR. COHN: Thank you,</p> <p>14 Mr. Schiavoni.</p> <p>15 You may answer the question.</p> <p>16 THE WITNESS: It is the</p> <p>17 committee's understanding that</p> <p>18 there are an unknown number of</p> <p>19 present and future claimants</p> <p>20 whose --</p> <p>21 MR. SCHIAVONI: We also</p> <p>22 object, that the question calls</p> <p>23 for waiver of the attorney-client</p> <p>24 privilege and any common interest</p>	<p>1 committee knows from public</p> <p>2 sources. He is not testifying</p> <p>3 about the committee's work product</p> <p>4 or what communications may be</p> <p>5 privileged between the committee</p> <p>6 members, on the one hand, and</p> <p>7 counsel, on the other.</p> <p>8 MR. SCHIAVONI: He's</p> <p>9 testifying about -- he's a lawyer.</p> <p>10 He's testifying about what a</p> <p>11 lawyer thinks and what a group of</p> <p>12 lawyers think --</p> <p>13 MR. FINCH: No, he is not.</p> <p>14 MR. SCHIAVONI: -- about a</p> <p>15 legal issue.</p> <p>16 MR. FINCH: No, he is not.</p> <p>17 MR. SCHIAVONI: All right.</p> <p>18 We can brief it later.</p> <p>19 THE WITNESS: The</p> <p>20 committee's position, to my</p> <p>21 knowledge, on this subject has</p> <p>22 been expressed in briefs filed in</p> <p>23 the court, and I will reiterate</p> <p>24 that position as expressed in</p>
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<p>1 privilege.</p> <p>2 MR. FINCH: We disagree with</p> <p>3 that assertion. He didn't ask</p> <p>4 about communications with the</p> <p>5 committee or its counsel.</p> <p>6 Read back the question.</p> <p>7 (The reporter read from the</p> <p>8 record as requested.)</p> <p>9 MR. FINCH: To the extent</p> <p>10 you can answer that without</p> <p>11 revealing privileged</p> <p>12 communications, you may do so. I</p> <p>13 don't think it calls for</p> <p>14 privileged communications on its</p> <p>15 face.</p> <p>16 MR. SCHIAVONI: Again, we</p> <p>17 take the position that this</p> <p>18 constitutes the comprehensive</p> <p>19 waiver, to the extent you are</p> <p>20 testifying about the understanding</p> <p>21 of the committee.</p> <p>22 MR. FINCH: No. He's</p> <p>23 testifying about the position of</p> <p>24 the committee and what the</p>	<p>1 briefs filed in the court, which</p> <p>2 is that at some theoretical level,</p> <p>3 since the committee has not</p> <p>4 undertaken to any sort of specific</p> <p>5 factual investigation on this</p> <p>6 subject, that there are or could</p> <p>7 be claims that under CGL</p> <p>8 non-products limits would be for</p> <p>9 insurance purposes covered by the</p> <p>10 same CGL coverage that Libby</p> <p>11 claimants' claims are, i.e. under</p> <p>12 non-products coverage if the Libby</p> <p>13 claimants' claims are covered by</p> <p>14 non-products coverage.</p> <p>15 The point being that the</p> <p>16 committee's position is that</p> <p>17 whatever the Libby claimants</p> <p>18 assert to be the unique or</p> <p>19 identifying characteristics of</p> <p>20 their claims that would bring them</p> <p>21 under the, quote, non-products,</p> <p>22 close quote, coverage of certain</p> <p>23 Grace CGL policies, that there are</p> <p>24 other claimants who either have or</p>

1 Q. I hand you a document that
2 has been marked as ACC 30(b)(6)-18, and
3 for the information of those in the room
4 and on the telephone, this is Exhibit 8
5 from the Plan Exhibit Book, namely the
6 Best Interest Analysis.

7 A. I have it.

8 Q. Now, in that document, Grace
9 places a value of \$500 million on Grace's
10 unsettled insurance rights.

11 Does the asbestos personal
12 injury – strike that.

13 Does the Asbestos PI
14 Committee agree with that figure?

15 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

16 MS. BAIER: Objection.

17 MR. FINCH: And object on
18 privilege grounds and instruct
19 witness not to answer to the
20 extent that that would divulge the
21 disclosure of privileged
22 communications for or work product
23 communications.

24 If you have an understanding

1 independent of that based on
2 things that you have learned or
3 the committee has learned from
4 sources not protected by the
5 privilege, you can answer.

6 MS. BAIER: I will object to
7 form. It assumes things not in
8 the record.

9 THE WITNESS: All the
10 committee knows about this is set
11 forth in Note D to this exhibit,
12 which specifies that the insurance
13 recovery is based on the current
14 book value of the insurance asset
15 (\$500 million). The Note goes on
16 to say that the ultimate amount of
17 the insurance received will depend
18 on a number of factors, and then
19 lists the factors.

20 This is a document that was
21 prepared by Grace, and the
22 committee has accepted it from
23 Grace as being what it purports to
24 be. Grace's analysis of the

1 application of a Bankruptcy
2 Chapter 7 liquidation test.

3 BY MR. COHN:

4 Q. Would the Asbestos PI
5 Committee agree that that figure, namely
6 the \$500 million value, represents the
7 best available figure for purposes of
8 Plan confirmation?

9 MR. FINCH: Object to form,
10 mischaracterizes prior testimony.

11 THE WITNESS: I don't even
12 know what you mean for purposes of
13 Plan confirmation.

14 It's proffered, as I
15 understand it, for a very limited
16 purpose, determining what would
17 happen in the event of a
18 hypothetical Chapter 7 liquidation
19 as compared with what is projected
20 to happen in this proposed Chapter
21 11 reorganization.

22 As proposed as a projection
23 for that purpose and given that
24 the committee is a Plan proponent,

1 I take it, it is fair to say that
2 the committee has accepted that
3 number as described for that
4 purpose.

5 BY MR. COHN:

6 Q. Who drafted the Asbestos
7 Insurance Entity Injunction?

8 A. That was the product of a
9 group effort along with the rest of the
10 Plan. I don't recall who crafted the
11 first draft of what is ultimately in the
12 Plan.

13 Q. What is the purpose of the
14 Asbestos Insurance Entity Injunction?

15 A. My understanding of the
16 purpose is that its principal rationale
17 is that there is a variety of types of
18 insurance rights that are being
19 transferred to the Trust for the benefit
20 of all Trust beneficiaries as part of
21 what I will call the deal reflected in
22 this Plan.

23 In order to prevent
24 individual Trust beneficiaries from

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1 seeking disproportionate shares of
 2 insurance through direct actions or
 3 otherwise, the injunction was crafted in
 4 I might add, many earlier cases than this
 5 one, perhaps not in precisely the same
 6 language, but the concept has been around
 7 for a while, to protect the Trust and its
 8 beneficiaries from having people do what
 9 I would call jumping the queue in getting
 10 disproportionate or attempting to get
 11 disproportionate shares of insurance that
 12 should be shared by all.

13 MR. COHN: Let's go off the
 14 record for a second.

15 (There was a discussion held
 16 off the record at this time.)

17 BY MR. COHN:

18 Q. Directing your attention to
 19 what has been marked ACC 30(b)(6)
 20 Exhibit-4.

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Namely, the Asbestos
 23 Insurance Transfer Agreement?

24 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Which is Exhibit-6 to the
 2 Plan Exhibit Book.

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Does that agreement assign
 5 to the Asbestos PI Trust the claims of
 6 individual asbestos PI claimants against
 7 insurers for their own misconduct?

8 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

9 MR. SCHIAVONI: Objection to
 10 form.

11 THE WITNESS: I don't
 12 believe this agreement assigns
 13 claims to the Trust at all. This
 14 agreement assigns insurance
 15 rights, according to my
 16 understanding of the agreement.
 17 How claims wind up in the Trust is
 18 by the Asbestos Permanent
 19 Channelling Injunction.

20 BY MR. COHN:

21 Q. So --

22 A. And the Asbestos Insurance
 23 Injunction indirectly, perhaps. But
 24 primarily Asbestos Permanent Channelling

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1 Injunction.

2 Q. So the Asbestos PI Trust
 3 will not end up holding -- strike that.
 4 Would the committee agree
 5 that the Asbestos PI Trust will not end
 6 up holding claims of individual asbestos
 7 PI claimants against insurers for their
 8 own misconduct?

9 MS. BAIER: Objection to
 10 form.

11 MR. SCHIAVONI: Objection to
 12 form, and, in addition, I would
 13 say that the question calls for
 14 the waiver of privilege. And I
 15 would also ask Mr. Cohn that you
 16 identify the topic of on your
 17 30(b)(6) notice that this is
 18 responsive to.

19 MS. BAIER: I would also
 20 object to form, especially to the
 21 word "holding."

22 I think it mischaracterizes
 23 what the testimony has been and
 24 confuses the issue by asking what

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1 the Trust holds. I don't think
 2 the Trust holds things.

3 MR. FINCH: I object to
 4 form. I disagree that it calls
 5 for privileged information.

6 MR. COHN: With that, would
 7 the witness do his best.

8 THE WITNESS: The Trust
 9 certainly isn't going to hold any
 10 claims. It's going to have claims
 11 asserted against it. The people
 12 that hold the claims are the
 13 claimants.

14 With respect to this, the
 15 question about whether claims
 16 involving the quote, I think you
 17 phrased it, independent tort
 18 liability of insurers, close
 19 quote, the problem I have
 20 answering that question is that it
 21 attempts to summarize in a single
 22 phrase, which does not necessarily
 23 have a precise legal meaning, a
 24 complicated set of questions

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1 having to do with how the Asbestos
2 Permanent Channelling Injunction
3 works.

4 The provisions in the
5 Asbestos Permanent Channelling
6 Injunction are very complex. As a
7 general proposition, however, I
8 would say that the claims that are
9 being channelled to the Asbestos
10 Personal Injury Trust are claims
11 that are against the Debtors or
12 against various other entities
13 defined as asbestos-protected
14 parties that arise in the manner
15 that satisfies the requirements of
16 Section 524(g), which has very
17 specific language about what can
18 and cannot be channelled to an
19 Asbestos Personal Injury Trust
20 under that section.

21 What you are, in effect,
22 trying to ask is does the phrase
23 you have used fit within or
24 without the terminology of Section

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1 524(g) where the term as such is
2 not used. So I can't really
3 answer the question yes or no as
4 stated.

5 All I can tell you is that
6 the Asbestos Permanent Channelling
7 Injunction, in my understanding,
8 is not intended to channel to the
9 Trust claims that Section 524(g)
10 does not authorize to be
11 channelled to the Trust.

12 BY MR. COHN:

13 Q. All right. We have gone a
14 little afield from the question, so if I
15 can go back and ask what I meant to, and
16 let's try it again.

17 MR. SCHIAVONI: Again,
18 Mr. Cohn, we would ask you to
19 identify in the notice where it is
20 you identify this as a topic,
21 because to the extent Mr. Lockwood
22 is not designated by the committee
23 on it, it's not really a proper
24 question to pose to him by another

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1 committee member.

2 MR. COHN: It's covered by
3 several of the topics, and I would
4 really like to just go on.

5 BY MR. COHN:

6 Q. So the question is, will
7 claims of individual asbestos PI
8 claimants against insurers for their own
9 misconduct be an asset of the Asbestos PI
10 Trust?

11 MS. BAIER: Objection.

12 MR. FINCH: Objection to
13 form.

14 MR. SCHIAVONI: I would
15 object, asked and answered.

16 And I would remind
17 Mr. Lockwood he has addressed this
18 issue in other cases like
19 Pittsburgh Corning and to the
20 extent you need to go any further
21 here, I think it raises a whole
22 host of issues about waiver.

23 MS. DeCRISTOFARO: Note my
24 objection, too.

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1 THE WITNESS: Would you read
2 back the question, please?

3 (The reporter read from the
4 record as requested.)

5 MS. DeCRISTOFARO:
6 Objection.

7 MR. FINCH: Objection.

8 THE WITNESS: As phrased,
9 the answer to that question is
10 unequivocally no.

11 MR. COHN: Thank you.

12 BY MR. COHN:

13 Q. Now, directing your
14 attention to the Asbestos Insurance
15 Entity Injunction, if an asbestos PI
16 claimant has a claim against an insurer
17 based on the insurer's own alleged
18 misconduct, does the Asbestos Insurance
19 Entity Injunction bar him from asserting
20 that claim?

21 MR. FINCH: Objection.

22 MR. SCHIAVONI: Objection,
23 calls for a legal conclusion and
24 objection to form and the other

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1 litigation concerning the applicability
2 of and injunction similar to the Asbestos
3 Insurance Entity Injunction in any other
4 case?

5 MR. WISLER: Can you repeat
6 that? I didn't hear you, Dan.

7 BY MR. COHN:

8 Q. Are you aware of any
9 litigation concerning the scope of the
10 asbestos or an injunction similar to the
11 Asbestos Insurance Entity Injunction in
12 any other case?

13 A. The only litigation that I
14 am aware of that's remotely similar --
15 and I don't profess to know all the
16 litigation that might be floating around
17 out there -- is actually litigation over
18 an entity that is closer to the Asbestos
19 Permanent Channelling Injunction. And
20 it's the Travelers injunction that's
21 presently before the United States
22 Supreme Court. To be more specific, it's
23 the Manville injunction that Travelers is
24 litigating about.

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1 asbestos personal injury claims against
2 or arising out of Grace is something that
3 has to be channelled to the Trust because
4 it fits within the definition of an
5 asbestos personal injury claim under
6 524(g), and that in order that Grace be
7 protected from such indemnity claims, the
8 roughly \$3 billion that Grace and various
9 related parties are paying to this Plan
10 is, in part, on behalf of those settled
11 insurers.

12 So if the question means, is
13 Maryland Casualty Company paying
14 something over and above what Grace is
15 paying, the answer is not to my
16 knowledge.

17 Q. Is there a benefit to the
18 Grace Bankruptcy Estate or to the
19 Asbestos PI Trust from having the
20 Asbestos PI Channelling Injunction
21 protect Maryland Casualty Company?

22 MR. FINCH: Object to that
23 question to the extent that it
24 calls for speculation.

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1 Q. Has Maryland Casualty
2 Company paid or agreed to pay any money
3 or other consideration in order to be
4 covered by the Asbestos PI Channelling
5 Injunction?

6 A. Well, that depends on how
7 you use the term "pay."

8 The basis, which I take it
9 which is what you are asking for, for
10 Maryland Casualty being a protected party
11 to this Plan is that in the past,
12 Maryland Casualty Company has paid a lot
13 of money to Grace and entered into a
14 settlement agreement with Grace which
15 releases that coverage and which Grace
16 indemnifies it against claims.

17 As I testified, I believe
18 on Friday, Grace, as part of this deal,
19 Grace has had two positions that it has
20 taken that we have -- we being the
21 committee and its representative --
22 accepted. Number one is a claim for
23 indemnity from a settled insurer based on
24 claims against that insurer that are

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1 Mr. Wisler: Could you read
2 the question back, please?

3 MR. SCHIAVONI: Objection to
4 form; objection, calls for waiver;
5 objection, calls for legal
6 conclusion.

7 MR. FINCH: I disagree that
8 it calls for waiver.

9 But you can answer.

10 THE WITNESS: Could you
11 reread the question?

12 MR. COHN: Let's go off the
13 record for a second.

14 (There was a discussion held
15 off the record at this time.)

16 (The reporter read from the
17 record as requested.)

18 Mr. Wisler: I object to
19 form.

20 THE WITNESS: Yes.

21 BY MR. COHN:

22 Q. What is that benefit?

23 MR. FINCH: You can answer
24 the question to the extent that it

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<p>1 doesn't reveal privileged or work 2 product information. 3 THE WITNESS: The benefit to 4 the Grace Estate is that it 5 eliminates potential claims by 6 Maryland Casualty Company against 7 the Debtor and its Estate. That's 8 the benefit. 9 BY MR. COHN: 10 Q. Is there any agreement 11 between Grace and Maryland Casualty 12 Company which requires Grace to indemnify 13 Maryland Casualty Company for its own 14 misconduct? 15 MR. FINCH: Objection to the 16 extent that calls for a legal 17 opinion. And object to the extent 18 that there is information 19 responsive to this question that's 20 privileged, I instruct you not to 21 answer if it would reveal 22 privileged communications. 23 If you can answer the 24 question without revealing</p>	<p>1 Mr. Schiavoni for Arrowood. 2 We join your objection, and we 3 would also say this is outside the 4 scope of the designation and that 5 Mr. Lockwood doesn't have to 6 answer every single question no 7 matter what it is. This is not in 8 the designation. 9 MR. FINCH: Can we hear back 10 the question? 11 (The reporter read from the 12 record as requested.) 13 THE WITNESS: In my 14 understanding, there is an 15 agreement between Grace and 16 Maryland casualty company which 17 contains indemnification 18 provisions. I am not in a 19 position to express an opinion on 20 what the scope of that 21 indemnification is, much less 22 whether or not Grace and Maryland 23 Casualty agree on what the scope 24 of that indemnification is.</p>
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<p>1 privileged communications, you can 2 do so -- 3 MR. SCHIAVONI: 4 Mr. Lockwood, I think -- 5 MR. FINCH: Tank, let me 6 finish. 7 MR. SCHIAVONI: Oh, I am 8 sorry. 9 MR. FINCH: But I still 10 object to the extent that it calls 11 for a legal opinion. 12 MS. BAIER: I also object. 13 You have asked Mr. Lockwood 14 whether he knows about -- you 15 haven't asked him about whether he 16 knows. You asked him is there an 17 agreement between Grace and 18 Maryland Casualty Company. I 19 object to the form. You are now 20 asking Mr. Lockwood to get into 21 the head of W.R. Grace. 22 MR. SCHIAVONI: I am sorry, 23 Mr. Finch. I didn't mean to 24 interrupt you before.</p>	<p>1 BY MR. COHN: 2 Q. Is it the position of the 3 Asbestos PI Committee that if the 4 indemnification provisions are construed 5 to protect Maryland Casualty from its own 6 misconduct, that such provisions would be 7 enforceable? 8 MR. FINCH: Object to form, 9 calls for a legal conclusion. 10 THE WITNESS: It actually 11 calls for speculation. 12 MR. FINCH: That, too. 13 THE WITNESS: In addition. 14 The committee's 15 understanding of the way this Plan 16 works, which is what expresses the 17 committee's position, is that it's 18 a legal question which, assuming 19 that a dispute on this subject 20 arises at some point in the 21 future, will be determined by 22 litigation over, A, what exactly 23 is the basis for the claim against 24 Maryland Casualty, legal and</p>

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1 understand how -- Grace's
2 consideration is a lump sum of
3 stuff, notes, cash, warrants,
4 insurance, what have you.

5 And, as I analyzed it
6 earlier, it's the committee's
7 stated position that the statute
8 allows Grace under those
9 circumstances to designate
10 insurers that it settled with and
11 have indemnity claims for
12 protection against asbestos
13 personal injury claims in the
14 future.

15 I don't know any basis on
16 which a court could say that,
17 these 12 asbestos settled insurers
18 are just okeydoke to get
19 protection under that approach,
20 but Insurer Y, for some reason or
21 another, isn't. So I can't even
22 speculate what your hypothetical
23 would entail, much less what its
24 consequences would be.

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1 or wasn't properly settled or
2 whatever, at that point, I
3 don't -- the Plan does not purport
4 to provide blanket protection.

5 It provides protection for
6 claims that fit within the
7 definitions of the Plan, and if
8 somehow or another the court
9 determines that some particular
10 claim doesn't fit within the
11 definitions of the claims that
12 either are or legally can be under
13 524(g) channelled to the Trust,
14 then, in my opinion, that would
15 not result in the Plan failing a
16 condition of the sort I talked
17 about earlier. Whether or not
18 there could be other consequences
19 of such a ruling is a different
20 matter.

21 BY MR. WISLER:

22 Q. Let's talk about that
23 because you just described the
24 possibility that the court could rule

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1 BY MR. WISLER:

2 Q. So in the ACC's view, all
3 the settled asbestos insurance companies
4 sort of ride together in terms of whether
5 they are entitled to 524(g) protection?

6 MR. FINCH: Objection,
7 mischaracterizes prior testimony;
8 object to the form.

9 MR. WISLER: If I
10 mischaracterize it, please
11 clarify.

12 THE WITNESS: The only
13 caveat I would say to that is the
14 one that we spent some time
15 dancing around with Mr. Cohn
16 earlier, that if there was some
17 sort of ruling that some certain
18 claims couldn't properly be
19 channelled against a particular
20 insurer while other claims could
21 be, i.e. his notional independent
22 tort claims versus claims that are
23 clearly asbestos PI claim that
24 says the coverage isn't exhaustive

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1 that some certain claims, in your words,
2 were not properly channelled.

3 Is it the ACC's position
4 that indemnity claims of a settled
5 asbestos insurance company would result
6 from those some certain claims would then
7 no longer be classified as Class 6 and
8 channelled to the Trust?

9 MR. FINCH: Objection, form.

10 MS. BAIER: Can you read
11 that over, please?

12 (The reporter read from the
13 record as requested.)

14 MS. BAIER: Objection as to
15 form.

16 THE WITNESS: If I
17 understand the question and
18 speaking at a somewhat high level
19 of generality, if a claim against
20 a settled insurer were ruled not
21 to be channelled to the Trust in
22 the first instance, because it
23 didn't fit within -- because of
24 one of two reasons: Either it

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1 didn't fit within the definition
 2 or, alternatively, even though it
 3 might be read to fit within the
 4 definition, it could not be under
 5 Section 524(g) so channelled, you
 6 just weren't legally permitted to
 7 do so, and the claim went forward,
 8 and an indemnity claim were to
 9 arise out of that claim, then it
 10 is the position of the ACC that
 11 that indemnity claim would not be
 12 a Class 6 claim, because, by
 13 definition, it didn't arise out of
 14 an asbestos personal injury claim.
 15 It arose out of something that the
 16 court had decided since it wasn't
 17 channelled was, by definition, not
 18 an asbestos personal injury claim.

19 BY MR. WISLER:

20 Q. Is the ACC in agreement with
 21 Exhibit-5 of the exhibit book? Are you
 22 familiar with that exhibit?

23 A. I am generally familiar with
 24 it. The ACC, as a Plan proponent, is --

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1 if what you mean by is in agreement with
 2 it, we are sponsoring a Plan of which
 3 it's an exhibit. So I guess you could
 4 say we are in agreement with it.

5 MR. WISLER: That's all I
 6 have. Thank you, Mr. Lockwood.

7 MR. MANGAN: Hello. This is
 8 Kevin Mangan on the phone.

9 MR. WISLER: One second,
 10 please.

11 MR. MANGAN: Sure, Jeff.

12 MR. WISLER: I am sorry.

13 Just one follow-up. I apologize.

14 BY MR. WISLER:

15 Q. Mr. Lockwood, in response to
 16 my next-to-the-last question, you
 17 testified that the claim we were
 18 discussing -- and I am not going to try
 19 to repeat all the words -- would not be a
 20 Class 6 claim.

21 Is it the ACC's position
 22 that it would then under this Plan be a
 23 Class 9 claim?

24 MR. FINCH: Object to form.

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1 You can answer.

2 THE WITNESS: I don't know
 3 that the ACC has a position on
 4 what kind of claim it would be at
 5 that point.

6 MR. WISLER: Okay. Thank
 7 you.

8 ---
 9 EXAMINATION
 10 ---

11 BY MR. MANGAN:

12 Q. Mr. Lockwood, Kevin Mangan
 13 on behalf of the State of Montana. I
 14 have a few follow-up questions from
 15 Mr. Cohn.

16 Specifically, I am going to
 17 refer you to ACC Document 11, which is
 18 Exhibit-4. It's the TDP.

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. If you could flip to Section
 21 5.7?

22 A. Section 5.7 of the TDP.

23 Q. Correct.

24 A. Evidentiary Requirements?

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1 Q. Right. Specifically,
 2 5.7(a)(1).

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. If you could take a second
 5 and take a look at that.

6 A. Including the subsections
 7 (a), (b) and (c) or just the lead in
 8 (a)(1)?

9 Q. Just (a)(1).

10 A. Okay.

11 Q. You see the (a)(1) requires
 12 a ten-year latency period.

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. The period between the first
 15 exposure and diagnosis.

16 Why a ten-year latency
 17 period?

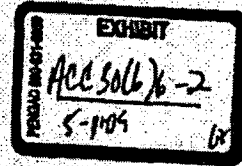
18 A. It's my understanding that
 19 that is generally considered by the
 20 medical profession to be the minimum
 21 latency period for asbestos-related
 22 diseases to manifest themselves.

23 Q. And is that how that number
 24 came up with, to the best of your

29 (Pages 558 to 561)

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<p>1 And that scenario to me appears to 2 be extraordinarily unrealistic, if 3 not impossible. 4 BY MS. CASEY: 5 Q. I would like you to turn to 6 Exhibit ACC Exhibit-11. 7 MR. FINCH: The TDP? 8 MS. CASEY: Yes, the TDP. 9 THE WITNESS: Okay. I have 10 it. 11 BY MS. CASEY: 12 Q. And specifically 5.12. 13 A. I have it. 14 Q. Okay. 5.12 by its terms 15 applies to claims that BNSF and others 16 would have against settled asbestos 17 insurance companies. Let me ask an 18 initial question. 19 It is the ACC's position 20 that the Asbestos Insurance Entity 21 Injunction also enjoins asbestos claims 22 as defined by the Plan from being 23 asserted against unsettled asbestos 24 insurance companies, correct?</p>	<p>1 regarding cash portion. I am not sure I 2 understand the basis for saying that the 3 channelling of the indemnification claims 4 constitutes a substantial contribution to 5 the Plan or a benefit to the Plan, to the 6 asbestos claimants. 7 Can you explain how that 8 constitutes a benefit? 9 MR. FINCH: Objection, 10 mischaracterizes prior testimony. 11 THE WITNESS: I don't 12 believe I testified that that was 13 a benefit to the Trust. 14 The channelling of the 15 claims, the indemnity claims, 16 against Grace, I testified was a 17 benefit to the Grace Estate. 18 The statute, in general, 19 says that a protected party has to 20 have something contributed on its 21 behalf to the Trust in exchange 22 for the injunction. That's a very 23 broad paraphrase to the statute. 24 So the protection for the</p>
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<p>1 A. In general, that's true. 2 The language is very specific as to what 3 kind of claims that it enjoins against 4 non-settled insurers, but subject to the 5 caveat that you have to look at the 6 definition to know exactly which kind of 7 claims you are talking about, yes. 8 Q. Does the TDP have a 9 provision by which BNSF Railway can 10 assert its enjoined claims against the 11 unsettled asbestos insurance companies? 12 MR. SCHIAVONI: Objection to 13 form. 14 THE WITNESS: At the moment, 15 I can't think of anything. 16 BY MS. CASEY: 17 Q. Okay. My final questions 18 concern the contribution that Grace is 19 allegedly providing to the Plan on behalf 20 of the insurance companies for the 21 benefit of the 524(g) injunction. 22 I understand the cash 23 portion -- at least I understand the 24 argument that the ACC is present</p>	<p>1 settled insurance company is the 2 injunction. The benefit to the 3 Trust, which if it, in effect, 4 purchases that protection, is the 5 Grace contribution, which Grace is 6 making on behalf of itself and 7 multiple other entities. 8 BY MS. CASEY: 9 Q. The cash contribution? 10 A. Well, the entirety of the 11 contribution. There is cash; there is 12 notes; there is warrant; there is 13 insurance; and there is the Grace 14 Estate's claim against Fresenius and 15 Sealed Air. 16 You will recall that 17 Fresenius and -- the committee -- the two 18 committees, the PI and the PD committees, 19 brought claims against Sealed Air and 20 Fresenius on behalf of the Grace Estate. 21 So when those claims were settled, they 22 were not only settled by the entities 23 against which they were brought, namely, 24 Sealed Air and Fresenius, but, to the</p>

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE



In re:
W.R. GRACE & CO., *et al.*,
Debtors-in-possession.

Chapter 11
Case No. 01-1139 (JKF)
Jointly Administered

**OBJECTIONS OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE
OF ASBESTOS PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMANTS TO RULE 30(B)(6)
NOTICES OF DEPOSITION SERVED BY CERTAIN PLAN OBJECTORS**

Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 30, and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 3020(b)(1), 7026, 7030, and 9014, the Official Committee of Asbestos Personal Injury Claimants ("ACC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby objects as follows to the Rule 30(b)(6) notices of deposition (collectively, "Notices") served on the ACC by OneBeacon America Insurance Company, Seaton Insurance Company, Government Employees Insurance Company, Columbia Insurance Company f/k/a Republic Insurance Company, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, Allianz S.p.A., f/k/a Riunione Adriatica di Sicurtà, the Libby Claimants, Maryland Casualty Company, Zurich Insurance Company, and Zurich International (Bermuda) Ltd.:

1. The ACC objects to the Notices to the extent they seek Rule 30(b)(6) testimony regarding legal conclusions, information prepared in anticipation of litigation, information obtained by or on behalf of counsel for the ACC in preparation for trial, information protected by the attorney-client privilege, information protected by the common-interest privilege, information protected by Federal Rule of Evidence 408, and/or information otherwise beyond the permissible scope of discovery as set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Federal Rules of Evidence, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, or the rules of this Court.

2. The ACC further objects to the Notices to the extent they seek testimony and information protected by the work product doctrine. See Hickman v. Taylor, 329 U.S. 495, 511 (1947) (finding that the work product doctrine excludes from disclosure attorney statements, memos, correspondence, briefs, and mental impressions obtained or prepared by an attorney in anticipation of litigation); In re Grand Jury (Impounded), 138 F.3d 978, 981 (3d Cir. 1998); Tobacco & Allied Stocks, Inc. v. Transamerica Corp., 16 F.R.D. 537, 541-43 (D. Del. 1954) (stating that "pre-trial discovery does not call for the elicitation of contentions, opinions or legal conclusions of an attorney").

3. The ACC also objects to the Notices to the extent they seek testimony that would disclose communications in connection with negotiations of a plan of reorganization or draft plan documents. Courts in numerous asbestos-related bankruptcies have prohibited discovery into, and the disclosure of, such information. See In re Federal-Mogul Global, Inc., Case No. 01-10578 (JKF) (Bankr. D. Del. Feb. 26, 2007) (Hr'g Tr. at 31) (finding that draft plan documents are not properly discoverable); In re Pittsburgh Corning Corp., Case No. 00-22876 (JKF) (Bankr. W.D. Pa. Feb. 19, 2004) (Hr'g Tr. at 64-66) (finding that drafts of plan documents are not discoverable); In re ACandS, Inc., No. 02-12687 (RJN) (Bankr. D. Del. Sept. 30, 2003) (Hr'g Tr. at 42-45) (denying discovery into plan negotiations on the grounds that such discovery is irrelevant to the issue of good faith in proposing the plan); In re Babcock & Wilcox Co., No. 00-10992 (JAB) (Bankr. E.D. La. Aug. 20, 2003) (Hr'g Tr. 84) (denying insurers' motion to compel discovery on draft plan of reorganization documents and confidential plan of reorganization negotiations); In re Combustion Eng'g, Case No. 03-10495 (JKF) (Bankr. D. Del. May 2, 2003) (Hr'g Tr. at 301) (observing that "drafts generally are not relevant to anything"); In re Eagle-

Picher Indus., 169 B.R. 130, 134 (Bankr. S.D. Ohio 1994) (finding that creditors were not entitled to drafts of proposed plans of reorganization).

4. The ACC expressly reserves all other claims of privilege.
5. Subject to and without waiving any of its objections, the ACC designates the following witness pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure: Peter Lockwood. The ACC will make Mr. Lockwood available for deposition on all topics designated by any plan objector for no longer than a total of eight (8) hours, on either May 1, 2009, or May 4, 2009.

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WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT

TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) April 6, 2008

W. R. GRACE & CO.

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

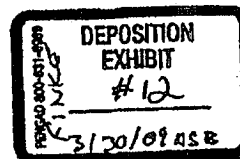
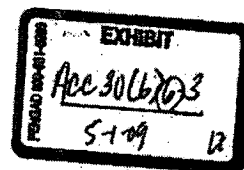
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CURRENT REPORT

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 6, 2008, W. R. Grace & Co., on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries and affiliates that are debtors in the Chapter 11 cases, (the "Company") entered into an agreement in principle (the "Agreement") with the Official Committee of Asbestos Personal Injury Claimants, the Future Claimants Representative and the Official Committee of Equity Security Holders, all parties-in-interest in the Company's Chapter 11 case, that would settle all present and future asbestos-related personal injury claims against the Company on the terms and conditions set forth therein. Certain terms and conditions of the Agreement are described in the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The description of the terms and conditions of the Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the provisions of the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release

99.2 Term Sheet for Resolution of Asbestos Personal Injury Claims dated as of April 6, 2008

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

W. R. GRACE & CO.
(Registrant)
By /s/ Mark A. Shelnitz
Mark A. Shelnitz
Secretary

Dated: April 7, 2008

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Exhibit 99.1

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GRACE ANNOUNCES SETTLEMENT OF ASBESTOS PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS

COLUMBIA, Maryland, April 7, 2008 -- W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced an agreement in principle that would settle all present and future asbestos-related personal injury claims. The agreement, reached with the Official Committee of Asbestos Personal Injury Claimants, the Future Claimants Representative and the Official Committee of Equity Security Holders, requires the following assets to be paid into a trust to be established under Section 524(g) of the United States Bankruptcy Code:

Cash in the amount of \$250 million;

Warrants to acquire 10 million shares of Grace common stock at an exercise price of \$17.00 per share, expiring one year from the effective date of a plan of reorganization;

Rights to proceeds under Grace's asbestos-related insurance coverage;

The value of cash and stock under the litigation settlement agreements with Sealed Air Corporation and Fresenius Medical Care Holdings, Inc.; and

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Deferred payments at \$110 million per year for five years beginning in 2019, and \$100 million per year for ten years beginning in 2024; the deferred payments would be obligations of Grace backed by 50.1% of Grace's common stock to meet the requirements of Section 524(g).

The agreement in principle contemplates the filing of a plan of reorganization and related documents with the Bankruptcy Court. The plan will be subject to approval of its co-proponents, exit financing, and Bankruptcy Court and District Court approvals.

"This agreement in principle is a very important step in emerging from Chapter 11," said Fred Festa, Grace's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. "In this challenging global marketplace, we need to be able to focus all of our efforts on increasing shareowner value and continued improvement in our core businesses. The agreement and the Plan of Reorganization that will be based on it will be good for our shareholders, customers, creditors, and our employees. A lot of work remains to be done before we can confirm a Plan of Reorganization, but I am optimistic we will be successful in reaching that goal by the end of this year or early in 2009."

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"Also, I want to point out that the Plan of Reorganization will preserve all employee benefits. During the seven years we have been in Chapter 11, our people have nearly doubled Grace's sales and dramatically improved the core businesses. We look forward to final approval of our Plan of Reorganization when we can once again operate without the constraints of Chapter 11," said Festa.

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Grace is a leading global supplier of catalysts and other products to petroleum refiners; catalysts for the manufacture of plastics; silica-based engineered and specialty materials for a wide-range of industrial applications; sealants and coatings for food and beverage packaging, and specialty chemicals, additives and building materials for commercial and residential construction. With annual sales of more than \$3.1 billion, Grace has about 6,500 employees and operations in over 40 countries. For more information, visit Grace's web site at www.grace.com.

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